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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**  
**U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION**  
**AGENCY INFORMATION COLLECTION ACTIVITIES:**

**Administrative Rulings**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security

**ACTION:** 30-Day notice and request for comments; Extension of an existing information collection.

**SUMMARY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) of the Department of Homeland Security will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act: Administrative Rulings. This is a proposed extension of an information collection that was previously approved. CBP is proposing that this information collection be extended with no change to the burden hours. This document is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. This information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** (77 FR 66626) on November 6, 2012, allowing for a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before [Insert date 30 days from the date this notice is published in the **Federal Register**].

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on

this information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the OMB Desk Officer for U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, and sent via electronic mail to [oir-submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir-submission@omb.eop.gov) or faxed to (202) 395-5806.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information should be directed to Tracey Denning, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, 799 9<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Washington, DC. 20229-1177, at 202-325-0265.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** CBP invites the general public and affected Federal agencies to submit written comments and suggestions on proposed and/or continuing information collection requests pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act (Pub. L. 104-13).

Your comments should address one of the following four points:

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency/component, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies/components estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic,

mechanical, or other technological techniques or other forms of information.

**Title:** Administrative Rulings

**OMB Number:** 1651-0085

**Form Number:** None

**Abstract:** The collection of information in 19 CFR Part 177 is necessary in order to enable Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to respond to requests by importers and other interested persons for the issuance of administrative rulings. These rulings pertain to the interpretation of applicable laws related to prospective and current transactions involving classification, marking, and country of origin. The collection of information in Part 177 of the CBP Regulations is also necessary to enable CBP to make proper decisions regarding the issuance of binding rulings that modify or revoke prior CBP binding rulings. This collection of information is authorized by 19 USC 66, 1202, (General Note 3(i), Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States). The application to obtain an administrative ruling is accessible at: <https://apps.cbp.gov/erulings>.

**Action:** CBP proposes to extend the expiration date of this information collection with no change to the estimated burden hours or to the information collected.

**Type of Review:** Extension (without change)

**Affected Public:** Businesses

**Rulings:**

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 12,000

**Estimated Time per Respondent:** 10 hours

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 120,000

**Appeals:**

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 200

**Estimated Time per Respondent:** 40 hours

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 8,000

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